

indulged as much as possible.
— he suffers constantly with
neuralgia in the head, often
violently, but never com-
plains — it has impaired
his hearing & memory — but
he is most faithful, and
an honest man does not
live.

Of all the rest of them
I will only say I esteem
them most highly — be their
friend and they will be
all you can desire.

Present my kindest
regards to S.^r Patterson,
to Mess.^{rs} Ekfeldt & Dubois,
to the men, and to Mr.^s
Brague & Rob.^t Patterson

Very truly yours

R. B. Caldwell

Prof. A. Booth

12.8.1849

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Princeton

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My dear Booth,

The thermometer in
the drawer, and all other
app.^s left by me, is the
property of the clinic.

Of the papers which
I entrusted to you, I am
willing you should re-
tain them, for the present,
until I see you, or you
hear from me concerning
them, — that you may
consider them more fully
and deliberately.

Of your arrangements
at the clinic, I shall al-
ways be pleased to hear
— and my private opinion
concerning any proposed

matter, will always be
at your command - but
hereafter I shall not pre-
sume to interfere with
Mint affairs - to do so
would only give offence
to Dr. Patterson, without
serving any one - in short
it is best that my connexion
with the Mint be completely
severed. - I make these
remarks, freely to you, and
you will, I think, under-
stand them.

I am pleased that
you find the apparatus
I recently constructed
to require enlargement
rather than removal;
which fate, I believe, was
predicted for it by some,
in the event of my leaving.
A larger boiler is certainly

desirable, may necessary,
and existing app. for
acid is also requisite
this for yourself only.

Concerning the men
of the Melting Dept. - They
are all, I believe, entitled
to your entire confidence
I have seen in the habit
of trusting them impli-
cantly and to the fullest
extent. And of all my
older hands, they are
thoroughly tried and
most estimable. They
will serve you most
faithfully and zealously,
if you are considerate
and just to them.

John Monell is in-
valuable, in every respect.
Thos. Swellgren is now
feeble, and should be